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**REPLY TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT  
APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID  
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

Sir:

This replies to the communication dated May 20, 1999, from the United States Patent and Trademark Office, entitled "Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures" (hereinafter referred to as the "Notice to Comply"). A copy of the Notice to Comply is enclosed.

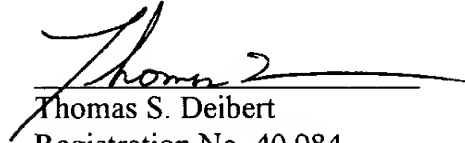
Applicant respectfully submits that it has complied with the Sequence Disclosure Requirements. Namely, the above-identified patent application Serial No. 09/302,024 ("the '024 application") is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/785,455 ("the '455 application") filed on January 17, 1997. Moreover, the sequence listing information filed in the '024 application is identical to that contained in the '455 application. That is, the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed with the '024 application is identical to the Computer Readable Form submitted in the '455 application. Thus, the papers originally filed in the '024 application requested that the Computer Readable Form submitted in the '455 application be used in the '024 application, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1,821(e). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests

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that the Notice to Comply be withdrawn and that the prosecution on the merits of the subject application proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

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### NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- ☐ 1. This application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 CFR 1.821(c).
- ☒ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
- ☒ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. The content of the computer readable form, however, does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 and/or 1.832, as indicated on the attached marked-up copy of the "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
- ☐ 7. OTHER:

#### APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:

- ☐ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing."
- ☐ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing," as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- ☐ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

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